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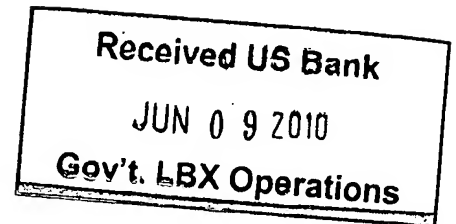
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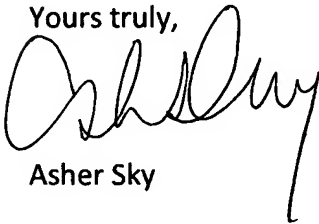
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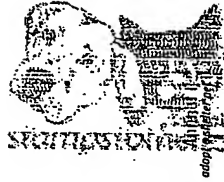
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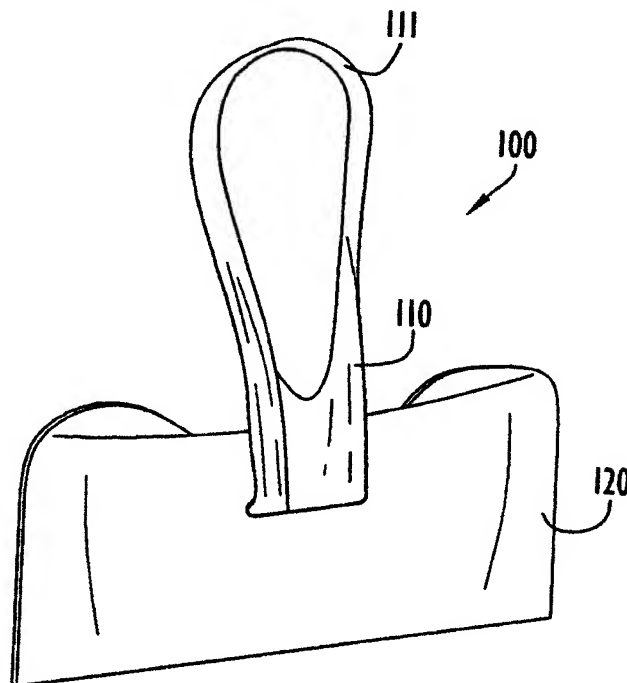
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A combined container and garment protection device includes a support section with an open portion, and a container section including a pocket to receive and retain items placed within the pocket. The support section is adapted to support the device about the neck of a user. The support section is releasably engageable with the container section to form a handle to facilitate transport of the device prior to being supported about the neck of the user.

9 Claims, 2 Drawing Sheets

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